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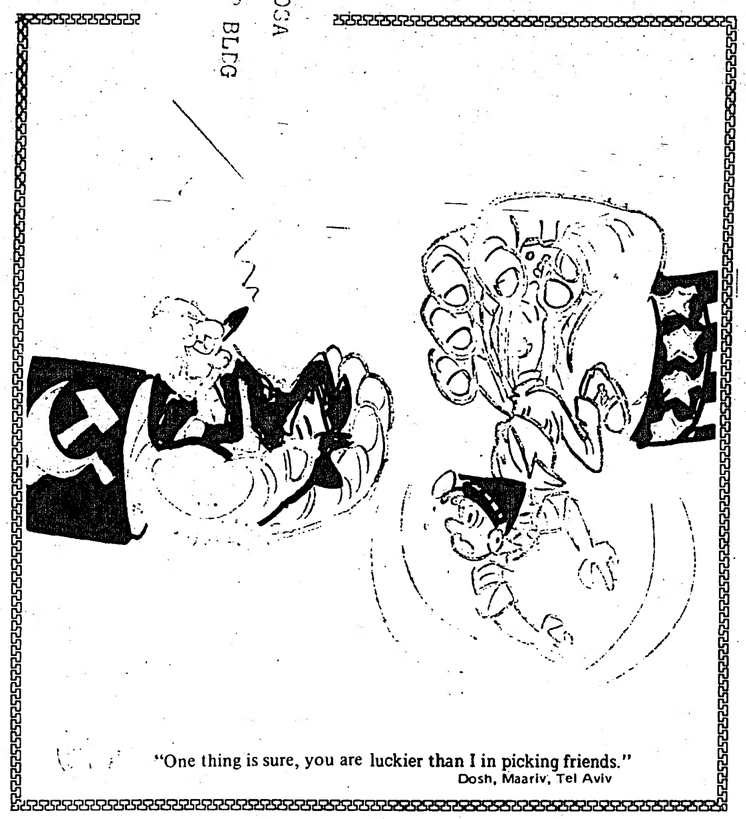

"One thing is sure, you are luckier than I in picking friends."
Dosh, Maariv, Tel Aviv

Nixon told

ISRAEL IN PERIL; MAY BE DRIVEN TO ATOMIC DEFENSE

U.S. President warned by JFK associate to reveal truth: fall of Israel would endanger U.S. position

by the CJN diplomatic editor

Unless Washington acts immediately against Soviet active participation in the Egyptian war against Israel, the Jewish state may be compelled to proclaim its readiness to use nuclear arms in its defense.

This warning came this week from one of the leading American statesmen, George W. Ball, former Undersecretary of State, who was the one involved directly in the Cuban missile crisis under the JFK administration.

In a signed article published last Sunday by the New York Times Magazine, Mr. Ball openly tells President Nixon that he ought to acquaint the Americans with the following facts:

● The Middle East is more important to the United States and the Western alliance than is Vietnam.

● American warning to Moscow must be so candid as it had been during the Cuban missile crisis.

While insinuating that the present Rogers plan is a step towards an agreement with Russia to prevent an escalation of the Middle East war, Mr. Ball says that this is not sufficient. Israel cannot tolerate the present position of the Soviets facing Sinai.

Ball also says:

". . . Israel might understandably be driven to announce her intention to use an atomic weapon as a last resort against the United Arab Republic. That she has some kind of nuclear device and the ability to deliver it is not officially established, but it is the probable inference from several bits of evidence: the known capabilities of the Dimona reactor, Israel's high level of scientific competence and her steadfast refusal to sign the nuclear nonproliferation treaty."

Mr. Ball goes on to caution the U.S. Government that:

"The Israeli announcement of a plan to use nuclear weapons would — to use a bit of understatement — set off unpredictable forces. At the very least, the international temperature would soar to the boiling point while Arab hysteria and Soviet threats . . . would incalculably damage the whole structure of nuclear restraint."

Iran, Greece, Turkey Yugoslavia imperiled

Mr. Ball also openly states that the defense of Israel has nothing to do with American sympathies for the Jewish people or with the pressure exerted by pro-Israeli circles. The downfall of Israel, he says, would be the end of the most important positions, economic and geographical, of the United States and her allies in the most important part of the world. With Israel would go down: Iran; Greece; Turkey; even Yugoslavia. Also, all oil producing countries then would be lost to the United States.

● Not only the American people should be made aware of that but France and all other allies of the United States as well.

President Richard M. Nixon received a personal message from Israel's Prime Minister Golda Meir in reply to the so-called peace plan brought to Jerusalem by Ambassador Yitzhaq Rabin. Although this letter is a secret, its general contents have been revealed by Washington officials. Also, in a statement made in Luxembourg on Monday, Israel's Foreign Minister indicated what the contents of Israel's response are.

Israel, Golda Meir and Abba Eban made clear, considers the debate about borders and withdrawal from newly won territories "academic" so long as the Arab governments are not ready to discuss peace. The more compromising the United States attitude is, Israel believes, the more intransigent will be the position of Nasser and the other Arab states.

● Boundaries between the Middle East states can only be discussed by the governments of the area, Israel believes, and cannot be dictated or fixed by any outside power.

● The beginning of peace is negotiations, with the full recognition of sovereignty of all states in the area, which is a basic principle of the November '67 United Nations Security Council, Golda told Nixon.

● Any decisions imposed from abroad, Jerusalem claims, will not advance the cause of peace for they will prejudice the negotiating ability of the state involved.

Jerusalem demands overt support

Also, in Jerusalem it was pointed out that the refusal of the United States to publicly state that it backs militarily the Jewish state in its defense encourages an anti-Israel attitude among Arabs, giving them the hope that blackmail will force Israel to surrender.

● Concerning territories, Golda Meir repeated that Israel is ready to discuss the principle of border changes but not at the expense of her security. It will reject any proposal that would undermine this security, she added.

Furthermore, any coercion of the Jerusalem government will not be accepted. The Israeli Government expects its friends to understand that it cannot gamble with its very life; it will not surrender to any outside force.

● In her message to the President, Mrs. Meir pointed out that after the United States peace proposal both Nasser and President Kadhafi of Libya made the most violent anti-Israel statements in Tripoli, Nasser even threatened Israel with crossing the Suez Canal.

While the United States is pressuring Israel to accept the proposal mentioned by Secretary of State Rogers, the Arab governments have become more belligerent.

● In Jordan, Hussein has changed his Cabinet to one more amenable to the Fedayeen.

● From Jerusalem it is reported that the majority of the Cabinet of National Unity supported Golda Meir's statement to President Nixon which, in essence, means: Israel is known to be ready to discuss all problems between her and the Arabs; she is waiting now to hear what the Arabs have to say.

Cabinet approval for Golda stand

Although a few Labor Party ministers in the Cabinet, the Mapam ministers and the representative of the Independent Liberals, asked the Government to revise somehow its policy, the majority in the Labor Party and Gahal supported Golda. The essence of the decision is that the borders of June, 1967, are dead; there will be no Israeli retreat from all newly won territories.

● According to diplomatic sources, the present Israeli Government will not retreat, under any circumstances, from Sharm-el-Sheikh, Golan Heights and Jerusalem.

It is pointed out that Secretary Rogers did not speak of complete retreat but only border changes.

THE FULL STATEMENT BY SECRETARY ROGERS APPEARS ON PAGE 4

MORE JORDAN CONCESSIONS TO FEDAYEEN

Amman. - The Jordanian Army chief of staff announced the disbanding of the army's special branch, a unit accused by Palestine commandos of formenting clashes and plotting the assassination of guerrilla leaders.

The announcement by Maj.-Gen. Mashour Haditha is the latest in a series of government concessions to the commandos since the clashes in mid-June which culminated in the formation during the weekend of a new cabinet including several commando sympathizers.

Haditha denied that the special forces has been dissolved. These are an elite military unit established before the 1967 Middle East war which the commandos have blamed for provoking the clashes in Amman earlier this month, in which about 1,000 people were reported killed or wounded.

The chief of staff emphasized that the special forces were a paratroop unit and said a distinction must be made between them and the special branch, which was a military intelligence department.

Haditha confirmed that the branch's leader, Col. Abdel Karim Omar, has been jailed but he did not give the reason.

Commentary

BY M. J. NURENBERGER

GOLDMANN PLAYS THE MOSCOW GAME

". . . We want peace, but not something somebody paints in beautiful colors and says, this is peace. When all the people of Israel say United Jerusalem, they want a United Jerusalem, they don't want a United Jerusalem outside Israel. . .

". . . I remember a few days after the Six Day War, I met Goldmann . . . I told him some things are just not possible, for instance, the (withdrawal from) the Golan Heights! He was shocked! The idea that we intended to keep the Golan Heights! But it's not because he cares less for the people down in the valley — he doesn't see them. I see them. . .

". . . What the Arabs say is that they want only territory. They want territory but no peace . . . We must be wary of this slogan . . ."

Golda Meir in an interview about Goldmann's role as "peacemaker".

The latest political anecdote emanating from Washington, D.C., is: a friend of U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers asked why the American Government was imposing upon Israel a solution which seems to many to have Munich-like overtones. To this Rogers allegedly replied:

"When you read my statement, you will discover that it is much more pro-Israeli than that made by the Zionist leader, Nahum Goldmann, in his Foreign Affairs article."

This anecdote may be the product of journalistic fantasy yet it certainly depicts the exact position of the American Government as opposed to Nahum Goldmann's unwarranted, self-appointed, diplomatic mission.

After reading Golda Meir's speech to the Knesset in reply to the published suggestions by the U.S. Secretary of State, I know that the United States cannot afford to become so callous about the Soviet military penetration into its most vital crossroads as can Goldmann on his Italian vacation.

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The Soviet Government (I did not believe it before but am convinced of it now) is out to destroy the power of the Jewish state as it exists now.

This is a fact.

In order to achieve this aim on its road to replacing the United States as the leading Mediterranean power, the Moscow government uses every means at its disposal to achieve this objective, including antisemitism of Hitlerite make. It invested billions in military hardware including missiles in Egypt, and also rearmed Syria. Soon we may discover that the Syrians too, not only the Egyptians, are the golem manouevered by the expert hands of Soviet officers.

In such a situation, the United States cannot permit itself to be dislodged from a position of power in the Mediterranean unless she agrees to become second after the USSR.

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I do not believe that, despite the unfortunate involvement in Vietnam where many American strategists may feel even winning the war is no victory because there are no dividends there, Washington is ready to vacate its place in the Middle East, offering it to Brezhnev on a silver platter.

Golda Meir knows that the existence of the Jewish state — the ability of 2 1/2 million Jews to defend themselves against 90 million Arabs enraged by Moscow's agitators — is important for our civilized society as we know it.

The alternative is the eventual despatching of the free leaders of the free world into Soviet lunatic asylums.

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It is true that, as Rogers said, Israel may have in store the means for defending itself in a desperate effort to survive. But it still lacks certain "normal" means of defense such as planes which, as Nasser boasted this week, he will be receiving in the hundreds from the power that occupies his country.

Israel does not occupy Arab lands; the occupant is the Soviet Union; Nasser is her quisling.

Thus Goldmann's activities are nonsense, dangerous nonsense, playing into the hands of those who promote the Russian game in the pursuit of total occupation of the Middle East against the interests of the West, including Canada.

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Since Nahum Goldmann, former president of the World Zionist Organization and the everlasting president of the so-called World Jewish Congress, published his essay in the Foreign Affairs Quarterly, he has become the only "peace loving" Israeli citizen. He also is the Jew sought after by such friends of Israel as Nasser, Marshall Tito and King Hassan of Morocco.

Perhaps he is persona grata with them because he is the kind of "Zionist" who hasn't recognized *de jure* the Jewish state and its right to conduct its own affairs.

Goldmann belongs to a "Zionist" school and a "movement" where people enjoy the illusion of Jewish independence and "Jewish activities": they are people who talk about a Jewish state, a Jewish government, leaders who are complimented by "friends of the Jewish people" as belonging to the nation that gave the world the three great religions and the prophets. When some calamity appears on the horizon, a dinner meeting is called and men like Goldmann make witty remarks about Judaism; they top the after dinner talk with a dessert: a Jewish joke. Our generation had enough of this nonsense.

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Nahum Goldmann, in 1944 at a meeting of the World Jewish Congress in Atlantic City, publicly stated that we ought to give up European Jewry. His "World Jewish Congress", during the war years, did not save one Jew from Hitler. He himself escaped from Europe to the shelter of the United States.

A few years ago, in one of his "moving speeches", the president of the "World Jewish Congress" admitted he erred during World War II, that an effort could have been made to save more Jews from Hitler.

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Still Goldmann doesn't know when to keep quiet. He is insensitive to a statement made by Abba Eban after the visit with King Hassan of Morocco, that this demarche "shocked" the Israeli Foreign Minister.

A few days after Goldmann spoke to Marshall Tito, the French Minister of Economy and Finances, Valery Giscard d'Estaing, saw the Yugoslav leader. They discussed Goldmann. According to the French leader, Tito praised the "Zionist" as one who is "serious, responsible and manifestly desirous to seek a practical solution of all the differences that constitute the obstacles on the road to peace."

According to the same information, Goldmann has asked Tito to "receive him as president of the World Jewish Congress," and that he had submitted "concrete proposals".

Also, "it is certain that Marshall Tito will communicate these suggestions to President Nasser."

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Anyone conversant with the Middle East situation knows that such maneuvers as those exercised by Goldmann are contributing to the confusion.

The Moscow-backed Arab leaders who refuse to negotiate with Israel are not interested in "territory"; the Arabs have enough of that. They want to liquidate the Jewish state. And anyone supporting Goldmann in his "diplomacy" is undermining the right of the sovereign Israeli nation to conduct its war of defense — in the area of diplomacy as well as on the battlefield.

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Whether Rogers did say he was a better Zionist than Goldmann is irrelevant; he could have said so. For the United States cannot afford to abandon the Middle East.

PROTEST LENINGRAD ARRESTS

Moscow. - A Jewish citizen of Leningrad has appealed to the chief prosecutor of the Soviet Union for the release of eight Soviet Jews arrested two weeks ago after what was officially described as an attempt to seize a plane, a typewritten document circulating here says.

The document, purporting to be a copy of the man's letter to the prosecutor, is one of many such which circulate unofficially in Moscow. There was no means of checking its authenticity officially.

The letter was said to be signed by Viktor Boguslavsky, one of 37 Leningrad Jews also reported to have signed an appeal to UN Secretary-General U Thant to help them emigrate to Israel.

It says the eight were detained June 15 at the city's Smolny Airport, where Leningrad newspapers said the incident took place.

One of them was detained as far away as the Black Sea port of Odessa, the letter says, adding that "the guilt of my arrested comrades lies in the fact that they wanted to live in the land of their historic motherland, in their national state."

WEIZMAN SON IS WOUNDED

Jerusalem. - Saul Weizman, the son of the Israeli transport minister and former commander of the air force, Ezer Weizman, was wounded in an exchange of fire between Israel and Egypt on the Suez canal on Monday.

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A MESSAGE TO ALL INTERESTED IN THE JEWISH MARKET

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For the record: in Ontario and Quebec, the only Jewish newspaper in English appearing regularly is The Canadian Jewish News.

HAILS TORONTO INITIATIVE.-President Zalman Shazar of Israel (right) congratulates Alex Grossman, Toronto philanthropist, for aid in rendering assistance to Asdot Yaacov, a kibbutz in Israel on the Jordanian border. A special committee has been formed, under the chairmanship of Grossman. The cochairmen are: Rabbi David Monson, Sam Cohen, David Green and Ben Goldglas, all of whom were part of delegation that recently visited the kibbutz.

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The new slate of officers of Shaarei Tefillah Congregation includes: Jack Ross, immediate past president; Murray Frieberg, president; Max Clement, 1st vice president; Ben Raskin, 2nd vice president; Abe Sheff, treasurer; Dr. Arnold Iscove, secretary; Armin Weiss, parnass; Alex Jakubovic and Cyril Newman, gabboim.

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AWARDED FOR EXCELLENT SERVICE.-Louis L. Lockshin of Toronto (right), retiring president of the Jewish National Fund of Canada, receives the President's Medal from his successor, Bernard M. Bloomfield of Montreal. The medal was minted in Israel.

NEW APPOINTMENT.-The Hon. Allan Grossman, Minister of Correctional Services, who has been appointed to the Treasury Board of the Ontario Government, according to the Hon. John P. Robarts, Prime Minister of Ontario.

The Treasury Board is the financial and administrative authority of the Cabinet. It has the responsibility for financial matters relating to all departments of Government.

Grossman, however, will continue in his present portfolio as the Minister responsible for the Department of Correctional Services.

MEMBERS OF TORONTO BOND DELEGATION TO ISRAEL.-From left to right: Harry Frank, chairman of the executive committee; Dr. Norman W. Shaul, cochairman, Toronto congregational committee; Wolf Lebovic, member, National Honorary Societies of Israel. Delegates to the Israel Bond 20th anniversary Jerusalem conference this summer not only will have a close look at outstanding examples of economic development made possible by Israel Bonds but will visit restricted areas involved in the nation's crucial struggle for survival.

SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF VENERABLE COMMUNITY LEADER.-The late Berl Katz (left), scholar and community leader devoted to Torah and Israel, in whose memory the Berl Katz Memorial Scholarship was founded by his son Jack (right) and his widow, Mrs. Gitel Katz.

In tribute, Jack was elected secretary of Chevrah Mishnaoth, president of Beth Israel and Israel Bond co-chairman of Toronto, continuing the good work of his father.

The unveiling of the monument at Chevrah Mishnaoth section of Bathurst Lawn Cemetery will take place on Monday, July 6th. 7:00 p.m., upon the anniversary of the elder Katz' passing; Jack will recite a special prayer in addition to kaddish. Rabbi G. Felder and Cantor M.I. Kleinberg will officiate.

HIGH HOLY DAY BOND EFFORTS

"The four Co-Chairmen of the Toronto Congregational Committee for State of Israel Bonds have advanced and intensified their program to rally every congregation and temple in Toronto for the coming High Holy Day Appeals on a higher level of member - participation than in any previous year, with the added impact of going out now on a cash-collection blitz for all outstanding subscriptions of congregation members", stated Walter Bick, Chairman of the National Honourary Societies of Israel, State of Israel Bonds of Toronto. "Having just returned from an extended study-tour of Israel, I know how urgently the people and government of Israel are looking to us, here, to reinforce their economy with loan dollars, and to relieve the crushing strain placed on their foreign currency income, without which no country can live."

Heading the Toronto Congregational Committee which has plunged full-strength into the immediate cash-collection effort, as well as the organizational planning for the High Holy Day Appeals are: Nathan Arback, Aron Frankel, Nathan O. Hurwich, and Dr. Norman W. Shaul. In a joint statement the four leaders issued a strong appeal to the community's spiritual leaders, synagogue and temple presidents and officers, and committee members to give top-priority to this year's High Holy Day effort as a vital factor in mobilizing the widest-possible support for Israel.

JEWISH MINISTER IN NEW BRITISH CABINET

London, (JCNS). - Sir Keith Joseph, who retained his seat as Conservative MP for Leeds, is among the 18-man Cabinet appointed by Mr. Edward Heath, the new Prime Minister.

Sir Keith has been given the Ministry of Social Services, a key Ministry in the reform program of Mr. Heath. In the old Conservative Administration, Sir Keith was Minister of Housing and previously President of the Board of Trade.

According to the latest figures, there will be 39 Jewish Members of Parliament in the new House of Commons; two of them are women. This is only one fewer than the record number of Jewish MPs reached in March 1966.

But the party-political composition of the Jewish contingent in the new House has been marked by altered. There are now eight Conservatives and only 31 Labour, compared with the previous general election which produced 38 Socialists (of whom one, Mr. Sidney Silverman, died before dissolution of Parliament) and only two Tories.

Sir Keith Joseph

The new Conservative Jewish MPs are: Sir Keith Joseph, Mr. Michael Fidler, Sir Henry d'Avigdor-Goldsmid, Major-General James d'Avigdor Goldsmid, Mr. Toby Jessel, Mrs. Sally Oppenheim, Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg, and Mr. Harold Soref.

GAZA STUDENTS JAILED

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - The longest trial ever conducted in the occupied territories ended last Tuesday in the Gaza Strip with harsh sentences against 20 Arab pupils of a secondary school in Khan Yunis. They were found guilty of joining the underground Students Union and belonging to the terrorist organization, the Arab Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

The military court, in full composition, found the accused guilty of attempting to kill four Gaza Arabs suspected of collaboration and laying mines which wounded two Israeli soldiers.

Sentenced to life imprisonment were: Muhammad Mussa Shahine, 23; Hassan Yacine Shahine, 19; Ibrahim Sulieman Shahine, 17.

Five of the accused were jailed for 60, 50, 30, 25 and 10 years respectively; two more got 20 years; seven were sentenced to 15 years; three to eight years.

Great tension prevailed during the reading of the detailed verdict. At the end, one of the students, Abdel Rahman El Farrah, the brother of the Jordanian delegate to the United Nations, was permitted to make a declaration.

The condemned made a fierce statement in which he said: "After the Palestinian revolution's victory we shall try you in this very building."

Women outside the court began crying when they heard the verdict. Israeli soldiers finally established calm in the hall and outside without using arms.

RABBIS RELUCTANT TO BECOME CHAPLAINS

New York, (JCNS). - Three years ago, all members of the graduating class of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America (Conservative) would have entered the chaplaincy to serve Jews in the American armed forces.

This year, only four of the 38 newly ordained Conservative rabbis have chosen to do so. Of the remainder, a number have opted out because they object to the war in Vietnam.

One of the four who will be joining up, Rabbi Lebeau, has as many objections to the war as any of his seminary colleagues. "My deepest problems", he said in an interview soon after graduation, "was the moral question, a Talmudic one, really: 'Whether I was desecrating God's name by serving the military during a war that was improper, or whether the fact that I was sanctifying God's name by serving the needs of the Jewish men took precedence."

He decided in favor of the latter.

The requirement that rabbinical students spend two years in the chaplaincy after graduation was dropped by the Rabbinical Assembly, the organization of Conservative rabbis, in 1968, when the Vietnam war became the focal point of a bitter controversy.

The assembly, however, requires the young graduates to accept posts for two years in communities in need of rabbis but which are too small or too poor to pay the customary rate for rabbis today. The young men serve at salaries no higher than that they would have received in the armed services.

The Orthodox and Reform (Liberal) rabbinical organizations have also dropped chaplaincy requirements at the demand of students.

GIFT FOR HOSPITAL.-Members of Downsview's Beth Jacob Synagogue seen presenting a check for the sum of $7,800 to Col. Joseph Getreuer of the Israeli Army. The gift was made for an ambulance to Sha'are Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem.

Menachem Faivish, who headed the drive which culminated at the recent dinner meeting, was dinner chairman; Eliya Gefen and Joseph Rosenthal were cochairmen. Rabbi Dr. Moses J. Burak, spiritual leader of the congregation, spoke, as did Louis Waxman. Cantor Harold Klein rendered musical selections.

Included on the dais were Morris Weinles, Brotherhood president, Mrs. Harry Goldman, Sisterhood president, Harry Goldman, synagogue vice president.

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MONTREAL NOTES

NATIONAL OFFICERS

The following were elected national officers of the Jewish National Fund of Canada at the annual meeting held recently in Montreal: Bernard M. Bloomfield, president; Rabbi Charles Bender, Louis L. Lockshin, Mrs. Anna Raginsky, honorary presidents and life governors; Hy Bessin, Joseph Drazin, Dr. Leon Kronitz, honorary vice presidents; Mr. Justice Harry Batshaw, honorary foundation chairman; Mr. Justice Abraham H. Lieff, honorary chairman, Canada Friendship Forest; Nathan Silver, national vice president; Nathan O. Hurwich, vice president, Ontario region; Beno Lowi, vice president, Quebec region; Murray H. Tapper, vice president, Western region; Leo Levey, vice president, British Columbia region; Mitchell Franklin, vice president, Maritime region. Also: Dr. George J. Strean, treasurer; Nathan Scott, secretary; Leon Pape, Yoine Goldstein, cochairmen, budget and finance committee; Philip G. Givens, Q.C. M.P., chairman, Canada Friendship Forest; David Mendel, William S. Pitch, Murray Rothberg, foundation cochairmen; Edward E. Gelber, Dr. Samuel B. Hurwich, cochairmen, Israel committee; Maxwell A. Schwartz, Q.C., chairman, wills and bequests; Rabbi Dr. Lawrence S. Nesis, Sam Sahinhouse, cochairmen, public relations committee; Jack Greenstein, chairman, JNF fellowship.

JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE

A delegation of twenty-five representing the Quebec branch of the Jewish Defense League participated last Sunday in the international convention of the organization.

This first international convention of the Jewish Defense League held at the New Yorker Hotel in New York City, with 250 delegates participating, reelected Rabbi Meir Kahane international chairman.

At the meeting Rabbi Kahane thanked the Montreal rabbinate for its moral support.

Rabbi Kahane also announced that the Jewish Defense League now will launch a campaign to counteract the new antisemitic propaganda of the New Left and Arab sources on American and Canadian campuses.

Arnold Mintzberg of Montreal led the Quebec delegation which plans to intensify the activities in Canada.

SUMMER COMMITTEE

The committee in charge of Sabbath eve services of Temple Emanu-El during the summer is: Samuel Segal, chairman; James Williams and Soulie Levine, cochairmen. Members: Mesdames Percy Abelson and George Rauch; Brahms E. Silver; Robert Glaymon; David Fleming; Alec Blumenthal; Howard Echenberg; Paul Lowenstein; Stephen Messer; Samuel Wechsler; Dr. Klaus Herrman; Dr. Kurt Ekler.

EVENTS IN MONTREAL

Monday July 6:
Israel Bond Bronfman Guardian Dinner at Ruby Foo's 6:00 p.m.

NEW RABBI.-The Young Israel of Montreal elected Rabbi Harry J. Kaufman of Washington, D.C., as its spiritual leader.

Rabbi Kaufman has served for two decades in U.S. capital as the Rav of the Beth Sholom Congregation and was president for ten years of the Orthodox Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington. He was ordained by Mesifta Torah Vodath and Harav Moshe Feinstein. He also is a graduate of Columbia University.

THE TRAGEDY OF BET SHEAN

by MAIER ASHER
a JCNS exclusive

Bet Shean and Kiryat Shmona have much more in common than the fact that they have been subjected to rocket attacks by terrorists and have lost children in the attacks. Both are development areas, peopled mainly by Jews from North Africa, and both have been plagued by economic difficulties. Similarly they were hurriedly established soon after Israel gained her statehood in 1948 in order to people the empty areas near the border with Lebanon and Jordan -- and to do it quickly.

Thousands of immigrants flooding into the Jewish State from North Africa were sent to Galilee, to form the two new townships.

Their homes were hurriedly built concrete-block structures, small and not ideals suited for housing the large families common among North African Jews. They were put to work in textile mills in jobs which required a minimum of skills.

Bet Shean new residents, like those of Kiryat Shmona, brought a little piece of North Africa with them and preserved it in Israel. Largely uneducated, non-conversant with industrial life, they remained set in the ways of their fathers, large groups of people surrounded by the empty spaces of northern Israel and untouched by the dynamic development of the rest of the country.

But why was the picture so very different from the Negev where masses of North African Jews had also settled in development townships?

Mainly, Dimona and other Negev townships were given priority by Ben-Gurion, Israel's first Premier and Minister of National Defence, who decided that the need was greatest to defend the ledgling State from the country's prime enemy -- Egypt.

Since the main thrust of development was directed southwards, the North Africans in the Negev were brought into contact with their fellow newcomers from Europe. Furthermore, as their towns began to flourish and expand, they took a pride in their achievements.

In the North, the picture was different. The rural settlements, although among the best in the country, were old and well-established, and they tended to continue along their by now traditional ideological path, unmindful of the new towns springing up round them.

The result in Bet Shean and Kiryat Shmona was economic insufficiently and social problems, which were reflected in local politics. On the municipal level, party allegiance was a commodity for sale against a job and money. Funds meant for vital projects were channelled into private undertakings. Municipal councils rose and fell, as councillors switched their party loyalties. The processes of democracy thus distorted, the population lost confidence in its leaders, who were helpless in any case. Strikes plagued the local services, and the young, their views changed during their Army service, began to leave the areas because they found the old environment suffocating.

The same had also happened in Hatzor and other settlements, but Bet Shean and Kiryat Shmona were suddently propelled into prominence by the terrorist rockets which hit them, and the rest of Israel began to take notice.

It was then that everyone realized that Bet Shean was worse off than Kiryat Shmona. More centrally situated than Bet Shean, it had increased its population to more than 15,000, including Europeans, and had constructed new public buildings, cinemas, well stocked shops and large schools.

Bet Shean, however, had remained a township. Its only inhabitants were people who had nowhere else to go. Many of them were unemployed. Houses fell into disrepair, sewer pipes cracked and leaked. There was not a garden in sight. "We have been forgotten by God and man," the residents complained. "When the rockets began to fall, we prayed and hid under the beds". After one raid, a shirtless man told a reporter: "That woman over there (a young woman dressed in rags) has eleven children and her husband is 60. How can she take all her children to the shelter?"

Another young man looked enviously at a wounded girl who emerged bandaged from the hospital. "She will get compensation", he said. "Is it worth being wounded to obtain compensation?" someone asked him. "Of course," he replied. "With the money you can buy a kiosk."

"Our shelter is a cesspool", a woman complained. "We take cover near the entrance when the shelling begins, but cannot stand the stench for long and have to go out. I sent my two daughters to my sister in Tel Aviv and am sending the third one, too. Do you blame me?"

It is difficult to blame her or any of the other residents who find a job elsewhere. Bet

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TORONTONIANS GRADUATE FROM FAMOUS RABBINICAL COLLEGE.-Shmuel Yaakov Kleiner (left), son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Kleiner, who has graduated from the Joseph Shapiro Teacher's Training Institue, a division of Ner Israel College of Baltimore which is an affiliate of Torah Umesorah (National Day School Movement). He is attending Johns Hopkins University, pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree. He begins his ordination this fall.

Yitzchok Neger (right), son of Mr. and Mrs. Neger, who also has graduated from the Joseph Shapiro Teacher's Training Institute. He is attending Loyola College for a Masters Degree of Education. He begins his ordination in the fall.

Ner Israel Rabbinical College (Baltimore) is headed by Rabbi Jacob I. Ruderman, well known Torah authority, where he has served for the past 35 years.

FORMER TORONTO PERSONALITY WELCOME GUEST.-Dr. S.B. Hurwich, former Toronto community leader, chairman of the Labor Zionist Movement of Canada and a leaders of the Histadrut Campaign since its inception, now a resident of Israel, was guest speaker Monday evening at the closing function of the Israel Histadrut Campaign, celebrating the 50th jubilee year of Histadrut in Israel, in Toronto's Labor Zionist Center.

George Steinhouse reported on the achievements of the Histadrut during the years; Jacob Egit reported on the recent visit of a delegation to Israel.

BOOKS OF THE WEEK

by Dr. Arnold Ages

JEWS FROM THE EAST

ONE PEOPLE: THE STORY OF EASTERN JEWS. by Dvorah and Menachem Hacohen. Sabra Books. 194 pp.

In a fine introduction to this volume, Yigal Allon, Deputy Prime Minister of Israel, relates that in 1951 he had a disturbing conversation with an Arab diplomat in England.

The latter warned Allon the Arabs would win succeeding wars with Israel because the loser always learns more than the winner.

"Second, and this is most important," continued the Arab spokesman, "you are taking in hundreds of thousands of Jews from Arab lands; they have all the shortcomings of the Arabs with none of the advantages of a free people, who are productive individuals and as such can have contact with nature and access to weapons."

Allon's colleague predicted that the standards of Israel's Defense Forces would be lowered irremediably and the result would be the route of Israel in a future encounter.

History has made mockery of the prediction of this Arab politician. "The third round between us and the Arab states is behind us," writes Allon, "the struggle which engaged our entire people proved conclusively that all the tribes and the ingathered from the seventy Diasporas are indeed part of ONE PEOPLE."

Dvorah and Menachem Hacohen have provided a fine monument for part of the book, Eastern Jewry, in this collection of historical sketches about the origins, customs and practices of some twenty Jewish communities known in Hebrew as the "eydot hamizrach."

As a counterpart to Allon's concept of the unity of the Jewish people, the authors have sought to portray the diversity which also characterizes the historical experiences of Eastern Jews.

There is no contradiction. For despite the varying habits, dress and social dynamic, all segments of Eastern Jewry were united in a common religious fellowship and a historical continuity.

What this book does is provide evidence of the extraordinary richness of the Diaspora existence of these communities.

One of the most interesting factors is the longevity of Eastern Jews in terms of their domicile in North Africa, Asia and Southeastern Europe.

The Hacohens rightly point out that particularly in the case of the Jews in North Africa Jewish settlements in that area predate the Arab arrival by several centuries.

Except for the Berbers, the Jews were the longest residents of the area known as the Maghreb: Tunisia, Morocco and Algeria.

The trials of North African Jewry are described accurately and without passion. We are told, for example, that Jews fared relatively well under liberal Moslem regimes and much less so under the more fanatical Koranic sects.

When the French sphere of influence was extended to North Africa, the Jewish community found much more freedom than under Arab tutelage. This explains their mass exodus to France and Israel when Arab nationalism reasserted itself in this century.

In their discussion of the religious and social mores of the Eastern Jews, the authors write lovingly of marriage practices, circumcision rites and holiday festivities.

The position of woman in the Eastern Jewish tradition was severely limited to what we term domesticity. Education for women was not encouraged. They were expected to remain in the home, care for the children and occupy themselves with other feminine activities.

An amusing aspect of the folkways among Eastern Jews was the way the birth of children was received. A male child brought the proud father volumes of congratulations and praise; a female child produced a perfunctory "mazel tov."

Among the twenty separate communities with which the Hacohens deal, it is difficult to single out more than a couple for special consideration. But this reader found especially fascinating the story of the mountain Jews of the Caucasus.

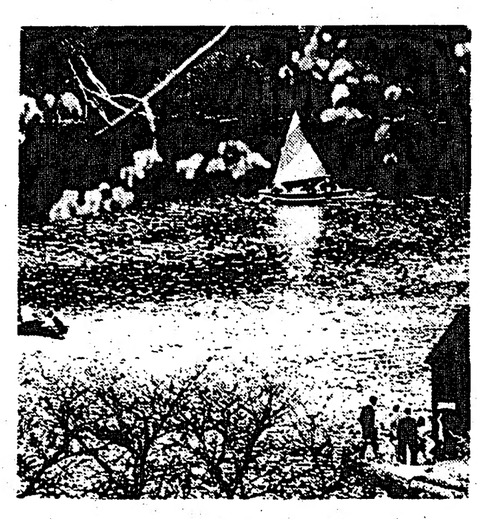
This hearty people came from what is now three Soviet republics: Georgia; Armenia; Azerbijan. They are distinct from other Eastern Jews not only by virtue of their robust health but by their traditions as a warrior people.

"And yet, in the true concept of 'Jewish militarism' they were always known for their kindness and goodness of heart."

The Yemenite Jewish community is another described with care.

The great mastery of crafts skills, the warm personality of the people -- these are some of the elements alluded to by the authors in their treatment of the Yemenite Jews.

A word about illustrations. The volume contains some of the best photographs of Jewish life in Asia and North Africa I ever have seen. Many are in color and offer spectacular vistas of an age now merely memory.



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Who causes pollution anyway?
The unpleasant answer: we the people. People who buy the products that industries produce. People with cars and boats. People who fly. People who build cottages and heat homes. Even people who keep livestock. Pollution now is everyone's problem.

What's government doing about pollution?
The Ontario government is doing things. Since the formation of the Ontario Water Resources Commission in 1957 and the passing of the first provincial air pollution act in 1958, Ontario has become known as a world leader in the battle against pollution.

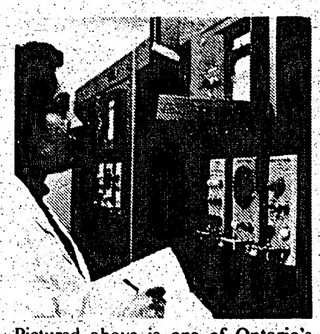
Industrial Pollution. It's a crime.
Stiff legislation is in force that makes pollution a crime in Ontario. It controls what our factories can put into the air and water and what they can't. These laws are being enforced and polluters are being fined. In addition Government engineers and pollution control experts are assisting industries in the planning, design and installation of pollution control equipment.

War in the air
Ontario has a task force at work clearing the air. The government has created an Air Management Branch with a highly trained staff of over 200 specialists and a multi-million dollar budget. With this kind of power directed at the air pollution problem, we can all breathe a little easier.

War on water
The war on water pollution is being waged and won. The Ontario Water Resources Commission works with communities throughout the province to plan and construct water supply and sewage systems. To date, more than a billion dollars have been spent on such projects making Ontario's sewage treatment facilities the best in Canada.

What can you do about pollution?
You can get concerned and stay concerned. You can make sure your boat, your cottage, your car or your plant isn't adding to the problem. You can tell your children and yourself that air is not an ashtray, rivers and lakes are not free sewers, and soil is not dirt.

You can be prepared to invest in a clean, healthy province for our children. To do that we need a healthy economy to support our good intentions. One way you can help— when price and quality compare, shop Canadian.



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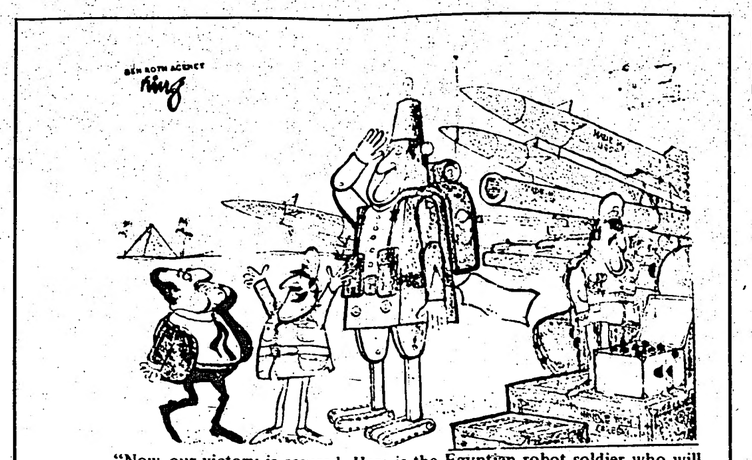

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ASK THE RABBI
a JCNS featurette

Q. Some of our religious leaders now have come out against discrimination on color grounds. Can you give me precise references from the sources that this is abhorrent to Judaism?

A. When Miriam and Aaron criticize Moses for marrying an Ethiopian (dark-skinned) woman they are sternly rebuded by God (Numbers 12, 1-9). The prophet Amos says: "Are ye not as the children of the Ethiopians unto me, O children of Israel? saith the Lord" (Amos 9, 7). The Mishna (Sanhedrin 4, 5), commenting on the Genesis narrative—of the creation of Adam, remarks that all men are descended from the same ancestor so that no man may say: "My father was greater than your father."

But in addition to individual texts the whole tenor of Jewish teaching is surely directed against racial discrimination. Judaism teaches that God is the Father of all men and that consequently all men are brothers; that justice is a Divine imperative and injustice an abomination; that man is created in God's image; and that moral worth does not depend on such external characteristics as color of the skin. In an oft-quoted Midrash (Tanna De-Be Eliyahu, 9) it is said: "I call heaven and earth to witness: whether one be an Israelite or a non-Israelite, man or woman, everything depends on the deeds he does; thus the Holy Spirit rests on him." It has been said that religion is color-blind!

Q. Some people say that persons both of whose parents are alive must not visit cemeteries. Is this superstition?

A. I have been unable to find any reference to this in the sources so that it is probably based on superstition. It is possible that since persons with parents have no obligation to visit the cemetery as an act of filial piety the idea emerged that they should not visit the cemetery.

KEEP SMILING

DELICATE

A man died suddenly in the marketplace while doing business. So the rabbi sent the shammes to the dead man's wife.

"Be careful," he cautioned the sexton. "Break the news to her as gently as possible."

The shammes knocked. A woman came to the door.

"Does the widow Rachel live here?" he asked.

"I'm Rachel, and I live here," replied the woman. "But I am not a widow."

"You want to make a little bet?" asked the shammes.

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

Two old friends met on the street and greeted each other effusively.

"There's something unhappy about you," said one. "Is business bad by you?"

"No, it isn't business," replied the other. "But only a few days ago I had the sorrow of burying my wife."

"What!" cried the first, amazed. "I distinctly remember going to your wife's funeral three years ago!"

"That was my first wife. This was my second who died."

"Oh, I hadn't heard that you were married again. Mazel tov!"

French in office

QUEBEC PROBLEM

This week the Premier of Quebec, Robert Bourassa, met with the presidents of a number of business enterprises in the province to discuss the problem of imposing French as the working language.

There is no question about it that this meeting will further the Bourassa plan to give French a stronger position in Quebec's business world. For Bourassa, the Federalist, is convinced that a more distinct French personality for his province will consolidate the unity of Canada.

This problem also affects the organized Jewish community. Many Jewish organizations, national in character, as well as those serving the province, have their headquarters in Montreal.

The time has come to heed the appeal of the Prime Minister for French as a working language in all Jewish institutions. Bilingualism is the immediate task for those who realize the problems of Quebec.

Link with Israel

BONDS

These are the times when Israel depends upon her friends.

It is important, but not enought, to become involved in the political struggle of the Jewish state for imposing its presence among the sovereign states of our world. Because the citizens of Israel are taxed to the limit for defense purposes, friends of Israel wherever they are must help her carry the burden for economic development — in the battle against disintegration.

In this area, the struggle for Israel's economic independence, the State of Israel Bonds Organization has written a most glorious chapter: it has helped make Israel financially less dependent.

This battle continues. Therefore such drives as the present Bonds campaign here are vital for the preservation of Israel's integrity.

Many in our community now are called upon to support this drive; they will remember that a State of Israel bond is an investment not only in that country's peace industries and economy but, first and foremost, an expression of tangible support for the nation's existence.

New community council

VOICE OF TORAH

Last week traditional Jewish organizations and congregations met in Toronto to finalyze preparations for establishing the Orthodox Jewish Community Council.

For years traditional Jews in Canada have felt that somehow, in general community organizations, the voice of Torah Jewry has been stilled — especially in the field of integral Jewish education and in some aspects of public relations.

Orthodox Jewish groups will continue to promote the idea of a general Jewish representation and, if possible, a more democratic leadership for such outfits as the Canadian Jewish Congress. But there are areas in community endeavor where traditional Jews cannot leave their problems to clubs or groups where the leadership is completely divorced from what the observant Jew believes to be the very reason for his being a Jew.

Paramount among these efforts is the issue of the day schools as well as integral Jewish education in general. On the North American continent, and there as well, believing Jews have established schools that have given the communities a generation of young men and women steeped in the lore of Torah and tradition. Often these schools have been established against some "leaders" ignorant of the essence of Judaism; in other cases these institutions flourish without the support of those who pretend to represent the total Jewish community.

Recently the problem of government subsidies for the secular programs of these schools has become very acute. Jewish day schools and yeshivot are fighting for their existence — without support — while some offices without which the community can do very well are subsidized from general funds.

The Orthodox Jewish community has decided to speak up for itself, to become emancipated culturally and spiritually for it feels that it is the heir of authentic Judaism.

In areas where there must be unity, such as the defense of Israel, this unified action must continue. But in other fields where there is a legitimate difference of opinion, any artificial proclamation of unity is misleading.

Documents

ROGERS BY ROGERS

Full text of the U.S. Government statement on Mideast

Washington. - Following are the "Peace statements" made last Thursday by Secretary of State William P. Rogers:

OPENING STATEMENT

Recent and disquieting events in the Middle East led President Nixon on April 29 to order a thorough review of all political and military aspects of the problem. That review has now been concluded. As a consequence of the review, the United States has undertaken a political initiative, the objective of which is to encourage the parties to stop shooting and start talking under the auspices of Ambassador Jarring in accordance with the resolutions of the Security Council.

Our objective in launching this initiative has been to encourage the parties to move toward a just and lasting peace, which takes fully into account the legitimate aspirations and concerns of all governments and peoples of the area. In light of that objective, we believe it would not be useful to disclose at this time details of the political initiative or to discuss publicly military assistance for Israel:

We believe that this is the time for such an initiative, which we have launched directly with the parties and with other interested powers.

We are now in the process of having further discussions, getting the responses of other governments to this initiative, and we very seriously and profoundly hope that this initiative, taken together in collaboration with others, will result in the beginning of discussions, which might lead to a peaceful solution of this problem that has plagued the Middle East for twenty years.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. Mr. Secretary, with respect to the subject of military aid for Israel, which you say you don't care to discuss today, does your statement imply any diminution or any abandonment of the American policy of not permitting the balance of military power to be shifted against Israel in the Middle East?

A. It does not. Our policy vis-a-vis Israel remains constant. It has not changed. We believe that the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of Israel is very important for our national interest.

On the other hand, we do think the time is propitious -- in fact, the time demands -- that every effort be made by all concerned to enter into discussions to see if this problem can't be solved.

I think it is useful occasionally to go back and read the Security Council resolution of 1967, because it does lay down a framework for a solution to that problem, and it clearly contemplates that the parties will discuss the principles that are established or laid down in that resolution for the purpose of seeing if a settlement can be reached.

I think it is interesting to notice that the resolution refers to principles which are agreed to. Secondly, it refers to the fact that the special representative, Ambassador Jarring, has the assignment of attempting to bring about an agreement based on those principles; and that is what has been lacking for the last three years -- there has been no serious exchange of views among the parties attempting to put those principles into effect by way of a settlement. So, our initiative is designed to see if that can be done.

NEW FACTOR CITED

Q. Mr. Secretary, this review that you have mentioned in your opening statement also, I believe, was supposed to ascertain whether the military balance of power has changed in the Middle East as a result of SAM-3's and Soviet pilots flying in Egypt. Can you say whether that review has found a change in the military balance?

A. Well, that review has been completed. Clearly, the review revealed that a new factor has entered into the equation in the Middle East. The fact that the Soviet Union has assisted, in fact deployed SAM-3's in Egypt, the fact that Soviet pilots are flying planes in Egypt, the fact that there are a large number of Soviet personnel in the U.A.R. all, of course, present new factors.

We are not inclined to think that Israel, at the moment, is unable to support itself militarily; but we do think that the presence of the Soviet personnel and military equipment is a new factor and it is a very serious factor.

Q. Mr. Secretary, to what degree do the Soviets agree or disagree with this American initiative? And did you consult with them at length about it, and are they just simply standing silent during it?

A. We have presented our initiative to many governments. We presented it directly to President Nasser because he directly referred to President Nixon in his May 1 speech; suggestions, which we referred to here as "an initiative," to Jordan, to other Arab nations, to the Soviet Union, to France and the United Kingdom, other members who are actively engaged in the four-power discussions, and other European nations.

NO RESPONSE FROM SOVIET

We have not had a response from the Soviet Union. They listened politely and thoughtfully to the presentation we made.

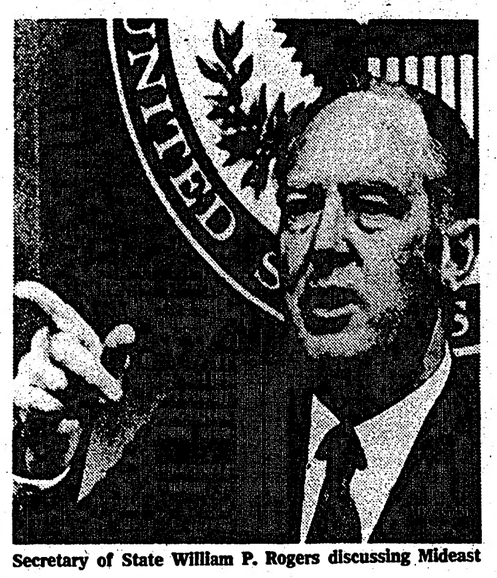
At the moment, the discussions on this initiative are in a very sensitive stage; and we would hope that the Soviet Union and others have the same interest in peace that we have.

Q. Mr. Secretary, various dispatches, from the Middle East capitals particularly, say that one of the key features of this new American approach is a call for some kind of cease-fire, temporary or otherwise -- end of the shooting. Can you tell us whether this is accurate?

A. Well, yes, it does include, as I have indicated in my brief statement here, the idea that the parties should stop shooting.

Now I don't want to go into it any further than that, except to say that it seems clear to us that if the parties are going to have discussions which might lead to peaceful solution, that it's much easier and much more satisfactory to do it at a time when they are not engaged in hosilities.

Q. Mr. Secretary, would it be useful, in your view, for Israel to make commitment in principle to withdraw its troops from occupied Arab territory?



Secretary of State William P. Rogers discussing Mideast

A. Well, I don't want to pick out any particular phrases and comment on them, except to say that I was very encouraged when the Prime Minister of Israel referred recently in a statement, a speech, to the fact that Israel accepted the principles set forth in the Security Council resolution.

Q. Mr. Secretary, in addition to the Prime Minister's speech, what indications do you have that the parties concerned are any more receptive now to new peace initiatives than they have in the past?

ENCOURAGED BY EVENTS

A. Well, I can refer to public things which have given us some encouragement:

One, as I have said, is the appeal, the statement by President Nasser directed to President Nixon.

Secondly, President Nasser in a National Educational Television program recently indicated that under certain circumstances, they might be receptive to a cease fire, and as I recall his statement, he said: somewhere in the neighborhood of six months or less.

Three, the Prime Minister of Israel, as I have said, indicated willingness to accept the Security Council resolution, which contains principles which I believe will lay the foundation for peaceful settlement.

Then the Foreign Minister of Israel indicated that if the negotiations once start, the Arabs would be surprised at the concessions that Israel might make.

Now that indicated to me that there was considerable flexibility on the part of Israel and that if negotiations started, there would be a prospect that progress could be made.

And I think that, looking at it realistically, as long as the parties sort of negotiate in public, so that each time a proposal is made the other party is called upon publicly to accept it or reject it -- it makes a very unsatisfactory way to negotiate.

If the parties could get together in a negotiating stance -- and I am speaking now about in the same city, or in adjacent buildings, or on different floors of the same building, or different rooms on the same floor -- and have an active exchange of ideas, quietly and sensibly looking toward a prospect of peace, that progress might be made.

Ambassador Jarring is the negotiator that has been selected by the United Nations for this purpose, and we think that negotiations of that kind have some prospect, hold out some promise.

Q. Mr. Secretary, when and if the United States decides to sell more Phantom Jets to Israel, are you going to make a public announcement on it, or is this going to be kept secret?

A. I just want to emphasize that we think, for the moment, the emphasis should be on the diplomatic initiative that we have taken, and we think any announcements or anything of that kind, of a military nature, would be counterproductive.

We have no hope that anything we do will ever be secret, so that, clearly, any decisions that are carried out will become known. But we do think, at the moment, because of the sensitivity of our diplomatic discussions, and because of their tremendous importance, and the danger that exists in the area that it's better at the moment not to discuss them.

Q. Mr. Secretary, in your Dec. 9 speech you outlined a set of negotiating principles for the Middle East, which I don't believe you've referred to today. Does the United States continue to believe that those guidelines will be the ones under which the Jarring negotiations should be conducted?

A. Well, not necessarily. We think they are very useful guidelines, but we don't insist that the parties accept them. We think they would be very useful for purposes of discussion. But we are perfectly prepared, and obviously we would have to be, to have the discussions conducted by Ambassador Jarring and he can use any beginning point he would like to.

SERMON FOR THE WEEK

A LAND BELONGS TO THOSE WHO MAKE IT LIVE

. . . Behold, the rod of Aaron of the house of Levi had budded, blossomed and borne ripe almonds (Numbers 17:23).

Three clergymen on a visit to the Holy Land asked the Curator of Mount Zion: "Why do the Jews make Jerusalem the capital of the State of Israel? Jerusalem, the cradle of religions and a Holy City belongs to the whole world. It should be an international city. Why do Jews claim it?"

"Let me explain," said the Curator. "The Bible relates that when Moses appointed Aaron as High Priest, the people objected and murmured.

" 'Why should Aaron be selected?' they asked. Whereupon Moses turned to God.

" 'O God, it was You who told me to appoint Aaron. I must now have a miracle to convince the people.'

"God sent an earthquake and Korah and his followers were swallowed up in it. But even then the people refused to accept Aaron's appointment. Then there was a plague but the Children of Israel continued to murmur against Aaron. Finally, God told each tribe to bring a rod and place it in the tent of assembly and Aaron was to place his rod there also. The people were to watch and see which rod would bud and blossom. And when Aaron's rod blossomed, they finally accepted him as High Priest (Numbers 17:16-26).

"Now why did the people accept Aaron when his rod blossomed and bore almonds? Because it showed the vitality of life."

The Curator invited the visiting clergymen to climb up with him to the *Mitzpah*, Mount Zion's Observation Tower. As they looked down, he pointed out:

"From here you can see both the old and the new Jerusalem. In the old, as you can observe, there is desolation: ruins, desert and rocks. On our side is the new Jerusalem where over 150,000 have settled. You can see their new homes, schools, the new hospital and the new university. Everywhere you see life, growth and vitality. You ask to whom does Jerusalem belong. It belongs to those who make it bud and blossom, who make it live and grow.

"The State of Israel is thriving, and the whole land is flourishing because the Israelis are giving it the same loving care that a mother gives her children. This little State, established as recently as 19[illegible] is now helping other nations which, since then, have acquired their independence. Israel is today sending to Africa and Asia, physicians, engineers and agricultural experts to help bring life and vitality to these countries so that they, too, may flourish. These specialists, and Israel's ambassadors constitute the first Peace Corps of our time. Ah, yes, my friends, a land belongs to those who make it live."

FROM HEAVEN ON YOUR HEAD, by Dr. S.Z. Kahana, adapted by Rabbi Morris Silverman. By arrangement with Hartmore House, Hartmore House, Hartford, Conn.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BLAMES WOULD-BE POLITICIANS

Dear Editor:

I agree with a recent editorial criticizing the leadership of the Canadian Jewish Congress. They have been conducting a "sha-sha" policy for years on major issues which require an outspoken stand.

A typical example is the urgent need of Israel to obtain jet planes from the United States. The leaders of the Canadian Jewish Congress, most of whom are ambitious lawyers, have remained conspicuously silent on this vital matter. They have failed to organize public opinion to force the Canadian government to take a favorable stand on Israel.

The answer appears to be that Congress leaders are mostly Liberals and do not wish to embarrass the federal government. This can be seen in the number of Congress executive members who have been appointed in recent years as senators, judges and to other important posts by the Liberal government.

B'nai B'rith seems to be inhibited by its partnership with Congress in public relations matters. The Congress "status quo" policy has prevented B'nai B'rith from being as militant as its American counterpart.

Also, Canadian B'nai B'rith is led by insurance agents and stockbrokers, who like the Congress lawyers, do not wish to "create waves". What is needed is a transfusion of new blood into the ranks of both organizations, who will make decisions on merit rather than political expediency.

Regarding Hon. Mitchell Sharp's statement to the News that he was misquoted about the sale of jet planes to Israel. Why did Mr. Sharp not release a similar statement that he was misquoted to the Toronto and Montreal dailies, as well as Canadian Press, who carried the original statement?

The record of the Liberal Party, since Messrs. St. Laurent and Pearson sided with John Foster Dulles re. Suez in 1956, has mostly been anti-Israel. In 1958 a resolution urging the Liberal Party to support passage of Israeli ships through the Suez Canal was defeated at the National Liberal Convention, with two Congress leaders, Prof. Maxwell Cohen and Marvin Gelber, voting against the resolution. Since then Canada has rarely supported Israel at the United Nations.

It's high time Canadian Jewry found outspoken leaders, instead of pussyfooters.

H.N. Segal
Downsview, Ont.

BEST CATCH.-A scene from the Mike Nichols film, Catch-22. If a man is crazy, he must be grounded; but he has to ask to be grounded. And any man who wants out of combat can't be crazy, therefore can't be grounded. Savvy?

The intriguing film, studded with such stars as Martin Balsam, Richard Benjamin, Arthur Garfunkel, Jack Gilford, Buch Henry, Bob Newhart, Anthony Perkins, Paula Prentiss, Martin Sheen, Jon Voight and Orson Welles, is shown at Toronto's Towne Cinema.

the lively arts

THEATRE MUSIC FILM

by D. COHN

* An exhibition of pictures, drawings and documents housed in the Auschwitz State Museum, presenting the prisoners' view of the concentration camp, is on display until July 15th.

One section shows the pictures the inmates produced by order of the SS staff; the second, the drawings they made secretly; the third, prisoners' contributions after the camp had been liberated.

This is the first time the exhibition is being shown in West Germany.

* Michael Kidd will provide the choreography for next season's musical, The Rothschilds, and Paul Hecht will act in it.

* Howard Fast has sold his original story and screenplay, The Hessian, to Dennis Friedland and Chrisopher C. Dewey, heads of Cannon Productions. He also will make his directional debut with the film.

Meanwhile, George Schaefer will produce and direct Fast's adaptation of his 1967 novella, The Trap, which tells the dramatic tale of a group of gifted children who are brought up by scientists in a specially prepared environment.

* Four offspring of famous showfolk will star in Columbia's Getting Straight: Candy Bergen, daughter of Edgar Bergen; John Rubenstein, Arthur's son; Jeannie Berlin, daughter of Elaine May; Jenny Sullivan, 21, daughter of Barry Sullivan.

* Simon Weisenthal, the man who brought Adolf Eichmann and other Nazis to justice, has written his story, The Sunflowers, which W. H. Allen will publish this month.

* Laurence Harvey has been known to retire between courses—to comb his hair.

* Bob Carroll, who plays Tevye in the touring company of Fiddler on the Roof (this week at Toronto's O'Keefe Center), can be found concentrating on his role from early morning onwards. According to Ruth Newton, production coordinator and mother confessor to the cast, Carroll at 0:30 might be eating a very rare hamburger from a nearby spot or even brewing his own fresh coffee in a portable percolator which for him is as essential a part of his dressing table equipment as his makeup box. At the same time, he may have Neal Thompson, who plays the Fiddler, in to snip his beard.

Fritzi Burr, who plays Golde, will stroll out of the dressing room next to Bob's and march up and down the corridor vocalizing.

Bob Carroll may unconsciously fuss with his makeup but above all else he is getting inside himself and becoming the character he will portray.

Says Miss Newton: "I remember Paul Muni -- no one could talk to him for fifteen minutes before curtain. He believed in the famous show business saying, 'Leave your problems at the stage door.'"

* A revue reflecting present day Israel will have its premiere in October in New York. Presented by Henry Goldgran and Arthur V. Briskin, entitled, To Be or Not to Be -- What Kind of a Question is That?, it will run for five weeks before going on a national tour.

H. Ritterman and Zvi Reisel wrote the sketches; Eli Rubinstein composed the music and Max Meszel wrote the lyrics.

The show will be performed by top Israeli and American actors. Besides songs and sketches, it will include film.

* The world premiere of The Shining People Of Leonard Cohen, staged by the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, makes its debut in Paris. Music to Cohen's love poems is by Harry Freedman in settings by sculptor Ted Bieler. So far there have been full houses at every performance and reviews have been full of praise.

* Joseph Heller's Catch-22, directed by Mike Nichols and written by Buck Henry, has been the object of intense advance interest and speculation.

It cost $14.4 million to produce and required the reassembling of a World War II B-25 bomber squadron largely from junk aircraft, among other expensive touches.

Heller's long-running best seller, published in 1961, has sold about five million copies throughout the world. This year the paperback printings jumped from 100,000 each to 200,000 and the release of the picture may create a new demand for the book. Students see the novel, the singular offspring of comedy wedded to tragedy, as a sly way of making World War II backfire on the war in Vietnam.

NURSES STRIKE THREATENED

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - A national strike of nurses in hospitals and other health institutions throughout Israel, which was due to start last week has been postponed until July 5th after a last minute meeting with the Histadrut (Labor Federation) secretary-general and the head of its trade union section.

The Histadrut had opposed the "wild-cat strike" by 17,000 nurses, which took place on Thursday of last week and lasted for three hours.

Although also opposed by the Government, the token strike enjoyed the general sympathy of the public, which is perfectly aware of the difficult conditions under which the nurses work and the low salaries they are paid.

The nurses agreed to a 10-day respite during which a committee set up by the Minister of Health will consider their demands for a special allowance to compensate them for their labor.

ISRAELI FAMILY ALLOWANCES RISE

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - Yosef Almogi, the Labor Minister, presented to the Knesset a Government Bill which would increase the present rate of allowances to large or needy families who have or have had a member serving in the Army or with the police.

The necessary sums, which would come from the regular budget and not from the National Insurance Institute, would be determined by the Ministry of Finance and the Knesset Finance Committee, Almogi told the House.

Needy families now were losing about $3,000 when their breadwinner served in the Defense Forces, Almogi revealed. Earlier he announced that national insurance allowances for a second or a third child of wage earners would be increased by about $2 monthly and extended to include self employed people as well.

SO WHAT ELSE IS NEW? -Scene from the Out-Of-Towners, a hilarious new comedy written by Neil Simon, starring Jack Lemmon, Sandy Dennis, Ann Prentiss, Robert Nichols, Anthony Holland and Milt Kamen. It runs now at Toronto's Hollywood Cinema North.

TORONTO AFTER DARK

HOLIDAY THEATER

This summer O'Keefe Center is offering Holiday Theater, light fare to please the palate of entertainment seekers.

Next week, from Monday, July 6th, through Saturday, the 11th, Mitzi Gaynor will appear. She will be followed by Jose Feliciano (July 20-25), Debbie Reynolds (August 3-8) and Johnny Mathis plus Henry Mancini (August 10-15).

ONE ACT PLAYS

The Catacomb Players present two one act plays this coming week at the Colonnade Theater. The Song of Songs, King Solomon's immortal poem in praise of romatic love, is as good in this day and age as it was then. For the more modern, Edward Albee's The Zoo Story will be performed. Director is Antoine Martine.

ANOTHER SCORE

Before it even opens officially at the Playhouse on July 15th, Touch Kiss has scored a hit according to reports from Boston. The young cast of eleven, average age 20, is impressing audiences. The musical is in two parts: a satirical commentary on today's social mores; a joyful communion between cast and audience.

SOMETHING NEW

The Factory, a new playwrights' theater committed to the works of Canadian playwrights, has just opened at 374 Dupont, at Brunswick.

Under the artistic directorship of Ken Gass, the Factory Theater Lab will produce exclusively original Canadian scripts. First production opens in July.

A PAIR OF ROMANTICS

Julie Andrews, as a sophisticated lady of song whose mission is a man who knows that she wants to know, and Rock Hudson as that debonair man with a mission which must remain secret even from his lady love, are the revealing romantics of Paramount's adventure-comedy, Darling Lili, now playing at The Eglinton Theater.

MONTREAL AFTER DARK

by Gina Roitman

* For light fare and an abundance of laughter, Anthony Quinn in, The Secret of Santa Vittoria, should not be missed. As Bambolini, the town drunk who becomes mayor, Quinn displays yet another of his many faceted talents as he attempts to spirit away the town's precious cache of wine from under the nose of the Nazis.

* The winner of four Academy Awards, Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid is an interesting antiwestern based on two real life train robbers at the turn of the century.

* Another antifilm, this time antiwar, M*A*S*H*, starring Canadian born Donald Sutherland and Elliott Gould, wrenches painful laughter from unwilling audiences.

* For old favorites, Ben Hur is driving his chariot through Cinerama for the umpteenth time with as much gusto and teeth-gritting as ever.

* If for no other reason than municipal pride, Anne of a Thousand Days, with Genevieve Bujold, should be high on the list of good films. Although the scenario lacks vitality at times, Miss Bujold more than compensates with a consistently strong performance as Henry VIII's short lived wife No. 2.

* If a rapid pace is more to one's taste, The Adventurers, with a relatively "unstar" studded cast, offers an evening of interesting theater going. Loosely based on Harold Robbins' best seller, the film is tightly woven around the life of a South American playboy and his jet set friends.

* A pleasant way of rounding out the evening after the theater is a walk through Old Montreal. All the charm and romance of the cobblestone streets seem to emerge after twilight. A cup of coffee is available in a converted garage; there are several excellent restaurants, some with loud music. Montreal's "beautiful" people are everywhere in evidence. Even bargains abound galore.

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7:30 p.m.	Forest Hill Memorial Park Alvin Paul & His Orchestra
8:00 p.m.	Nathan Phillips Square The Community Folk Art Council
8:30 p.m.	High Park Square Dancing - Bob Scott & His Orchestra
8:30 p.m.	Kew Gardens Square Dancing - Al Aylward & His Orchestra

SUNDAY, JULY 5th

2:30 p.m.	High Park Community Folk Art Council
2:30 p.m.	Kew Gardens Queen's Own Rifles Legion Band 344 Guests: Judith LeBane & Stan Kane
2:30 p.m.	Willowvale Park Goerge Frank and his Orchestra
5:30 p.m.	High Park Organ Recital: Ronnie Padgett
7:30 p.m.	Earlscourt Park The Johnny Lombardi Show
8:00 p.m.	Nathan Phillips Square Pops Symphony — Conductor: Albert Pratz; Soloist: Soloist: Doreen Hume

MONDAY, JULY 6th

7'15 p.m.	East Lynn Park Children's Theatre: Cinderella
8:30 p.m.	Ramsden Park Square Dancing - Bob Scott and his Orchestra
8:30 p.m.	Greenwood Park Murray Ginsberg and his Orchestra

TUESDAY, JULY 7th

8:00 p.m.	Allan Gardens 411 Squadron Air Reserve Band
8:30 p.m.	Withrow Park Square Dancing - Bob Scott and his Orchestra

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8th

12:15 p.m.	Nathan Phillips Square Frank Szoke Village Polka Band
8:30 p.m.	Eglinton Park Peter Schofield Orchestra
8:30 p.m.	Riverdale Park The Sheila Guthrie Band Guest: Chick Roberts
8:30 p.m.	Monarch Park Square Dancing - Bob Scott and his Orchestra
8:30 p.m.	Dufferin Grove Park Square DAncing - Angus McKinnon and his Orchestra

THURSDAY, JULY 9th

7:30 p.m.	Forest Hill Memorial Park Jazz Concert
8:00 p.m.	Nathan Phillips Square The Johnny Lombardi Show
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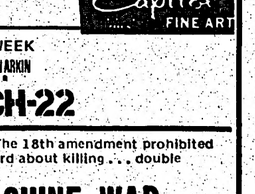

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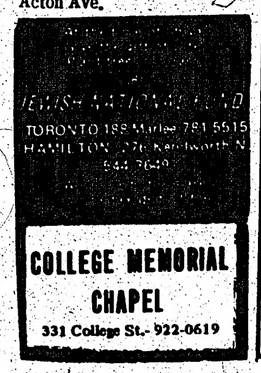

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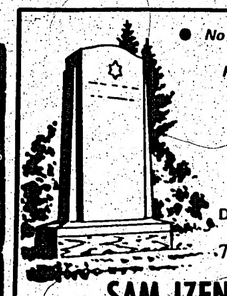

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Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - "We know that the people of Israel would rather be spending their money on consumer goods and education, and there is nothing we would like to see more than that you should live in peace and build in peace," Mr. Victor Feather, the general-secretary of the Trades Union Congress, said here, our special correspondent-on-Israeli economic affairs writes.

Mr. Feather, who represented the British Government on "British Day" at the Tel Aviv International Trade Fair, also told guests at an Anglo-Israel Chamber of Commerce lunch that Israel was Britain's largest single customer in the Middle East and there was room for a substantial expansion of sales in each other's countries.

He also praised Mr. Jan Lewando, the chairman of the Israel Committee of the British National Export Council, for organizing the British participation in the fair.

Mr. Feather announced that in view of the success of the British machine tools and scientific equipment exhibition in Tel Aviv in December, there would be another special exhibition of British goods in Israel late next year. Britain would also take part in the Tel Aviv Trade Fair next June.

POLICE MINISTER WARNS: "DRUG PROBLEM IS GROWING"

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - The Minister of Police, Mr. Sholomo Hillel, gave a warning in the Knesset that the drug problem is spreading among the younger age groups and in the higher social strata of the population.

He said that while most drug takers, indulged mainly for sport there was a real danger of addiction. This could change Israel into a Levantine society which would shrug off and ignore the real problems instead of acting and working to overcome them.

Mr. Hillel said there had been a sharp rise in drug offences -- from 555 in 1967 to 1,053 in 1969. Three hundred and forty-five foreign nationals were arrested during the last year for possessing or using drugs, he said.

RULES OUT DEVALUATION

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - Pinhas Sapir, Israel's Finance Minister, said here recently that taxation was bound to rise even higher next year if the country had to meet the rising costs of the Defense Forces.

Addressing a seminar of senior civil servants here, he stated that "had we thought it necessary to devalue, we would not have hesitated to do so, but devaluation is not a solution to our economic problems."

A brighter side of the picture was presented by Avraham Agnon, the Ministry's director-general, who forecast that next year Israel's GNP would equal that of Egypt, which had a population of 30 million against Israel's some three million.

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JERUSALEM ARABS WRITE TO MRS. MEIR

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - The Jerusalem Arab Chamber of Commerce, in a letter sent last week to Mrs. Golda Meir, the Prime Minister, claimed that this year's taxes imposed on Arabs in East Jerusalem were unlawful.

The reason for this, the letter said, was because Israel was only occupying East Jerusalem, and international conventions banned any extra taxation beyond what was necessary to maintain services at preoccupation level.

The protest follows a three-week study by Arab businessmen and lawyers of the situation created by the new taxes, which include a defense loan imposition.

STEEP RISE IN PRICES

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - Since the signing in March of the package deal promising wage earners stable prices in return for a wage standstill and increased taxation, prices have continued to rise steadily. Evening newspapers, for example, disregarded a Government order and increased their price by 25 percent.

FIRE DESTROYS JERUSALEM HOUSE OF PRAYER

Jersualem, (JCNS). - Jerusalem's House of Prayer and Love was razed to the ground by fire early last Monday morning. The wooden house in the capital's posh "villas row" in the Kiryat Yovel quarter was inhabited by eight persons and two children, followers of the "singing" Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach of San Francisco. They lost all their personal belongings but escaped unharmed.

Police investigating ruled out sabotage.

The house of prayer, modeled on Rabbi Carlebach's San Francisco Center, has 500 members, many of them from England. They believe in propagating Judaism through song, prayer and brotherly love.

They have been the subject of much criticism in the Israeli press, sections of which accused them of being hippies and members of the so-called New Left. They claim to be utterly respectable, quiet and Orthodox.

RETURNING TO JUDAISM

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - A growing number of children of mixed marriages are attending Jewish schools regularly in Scandinavia after most of them converted to Judaism, Rabbi Bent Melchior, Chief Rabbi of Denmark told the annual convention of the World Union of Synagogues (Conservative) now meeting here.

But, he said, the Scandinavian communities were hampered by a shortage of ministers and thus were prevented from opening new synagogues for the returnees.

Emanuel Moses of Bombay said that as the entire Jewish community of India was in the process of emigrating to Israel the leaders there were planning to sell the vacated synagogue buildings to the local authorities for use as schools. The proceeds of the sale would be devoted to help the emigrants, he stated.

RABBI GOREN ARMY CHAPLAIN

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - Major-General Shlomo Goren, Chief Rabbi of the Israel Defense Forces and Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv, has received an affirmative response to his request to be allowed to remain the head of the military rabbinate for another year.

Rabbi Gorne had promised repeatedly, the municipal council of Tel Aviv that he would assume his function as Chief Rabbi of the city "very soon", at the latest by June 1st.

Now that he is to continue to wear uniform for at least another year, the office of Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv, in effect, remains vacant. He is willing neither to renounce this office nor to leave the Army.

It has been learned that Rabbi Goren last week signed the conversion certificate for Mrs. Helen Seidmann in his capacity as chairman of the Tel Aviv Rabbinical Court although he never has taken over this function in any practical sense.

Haaretz, the independent daily newspaper, commented: "The behavior of Rabbi Goren towards the office of Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv is explained by his ambition to become Chief Rabbi of Israel and by his conviction that, as Chief Rabbi of the Armed Forces, he stands a greater chance of being elected to that high office."

BRACELET CAUSES COMPLAINTS

London, (JCNS). - A Trans World Airlines ground hostess at London Airport was this week requested not to wear a Magen David bracelet when dealing with passengers from Kuwait Airways; for whom TWA acts in London.

She was Miss L. Raymond, whose bracelet was noticed by passengers boarding an aircraft bound for Kuwait.

TWA told the JCNS: "Frankly, we have no comment to make. We consider the matter so trivial that it is not even worthy of comment".

SOLEL BONEH LANDS HILTON CONTRACT

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - Solel Boneh the building enterprise owned by the Histadrut (General Federation of Labor), is to construct an 18-storey 315-room annexe to the Hilton Hotel in Teheran, capital of Iran.

The new tower-shaped wing, which will cost $10 million, will double the hotel's capacity. It will include conference halls for holding international meetings and other facilities in addition to hotel rooms.

KOSHER BUS TOURS

Buffalo, New York. - The Young Israel Kosher Dining Hall and Dormitory at the State University of New York at Buffalo, which was established by the Young Israel Synagogue in that city, has been recently designated official caterer to Trailways Kosher Bus Tours, a division of the Continental Trailways Bus system. Dr. David Maslow, newly-elected chairman of the Dormitory's Board of Trustees, announced the agreement this week.

Young Israel is an international federation of orthodox synagogues with principal branches in the United States, Canada and Israel. The Buffalo branch was founded in 1964. Young Israel's Intercollegiate Division sponsors more than a score of kosher dining programs at major universities, some of which -- as in Buffalo and at Cornell University -- have their own buildings. The Young Israel Dormitory at Buffalo is located adjacent to the University campus. It has separate kosher kitchens, a large dining area, sleeping accommodations for fourteen men, a chapel and a recreation room. The Dormitory expects to provide kosher dinners next September to nearly thirty students in addition to its own residents. The dining program is subsidized by grants from the National Young Israel headquarters in New York City and by funds derived in the catering of summer bus tours.

THE TRAGEDY

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Shean's wooden school-huts were put up nearly twenty years ago as temporary buildings. They are still there. Parents refused to let their children study in them after two had been hit be rockets and children trapped in their burning ruins. Some residents asked whether Bet Shean was meant to be a permanent settlement at all.

But all is not gloom. Some of the younger generation are real heroes. A teacher who had just left her house on her way to school that morning, heard an explosion behind her. She knew the rocket had hit her home, but did not turn back. She hurried to school to take care of the children. A soldier on leave from the Suez front saw his father's kiosk hit by a shell and destroyed. He was the first to jump into a burning school to save the children.

Another teacher, seeing the way the children were affected by the attacks, put off her wedding and her university examinations. "I must be with my class in such times", she said, "The wedding and the examination can wait".

The Government has recently made so many promises to the people of Bet Shean that some attention may now finally be paid to this Cinderella of the north. Thus it may turn out that the terrorist rockets may prove to be a blessing in disguise for the north's neglected development towns.

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These days, when a bare 2-1/2 million are fighting half of mankind, when the sad pictures of smiling boys are appearing in increasing numbers on the front pages of the newspapers, when there are no friends, no money and no desire, these days when the color black is in vogue and self-contempt is so popular and profitable, it is the wish of this department to remind the reader of one minor detail that has been overlooked in all the noise -- That he's got a marvellous country.

A land that has restored human dignity to those who have come to it, to the point where their children no longer know what all the excitement is about. A land of bickering, silly, nervous people who have created the most stable democracy in the world. A land that has no future, only a present. A land bearing up every day to an impossible mission.

It sometimes seems that all the freight in the world has been loaded onto the back of this little mule. A bare 2-1/2 million without a single formal ally, and precisely they have to produce, in the middle of the desert, modern cannon and heavy tanks and light electronics and what not, people with no road to their houses have to lay them hundreds of accursed kilometres across Sinai, and settle places where they are not wanted, and build new cities with uncovered cheques and in their spare time set up universities, and standards institutes and power stations. Who has ever heard that a little tribe, whose language is only just in the process of development should have to maintain the best air force in the world and to scratch up planes here and helicopters there in order to contend with Russia while China waits her turn? Who else has to steal boats to guard their coasts, and cheat at cards in order to balance the National Budget? A bare 2-1/2 million, with one hand fighting all the psychoneurotics around and with the left hand strangling themselves at home, with not a minute to breathe and no silence to rest, and only international debts as high as Kilimanjaro, and an insane world public opinion, and a bare 2-1/2 million souls who, in the weekend sharav do not grasp that between two attachment orders and the telephone-on-the-blink they are participating in an unprecedented historical undertaking, that they are living the ancient dream of their fathers.

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We have a beautiful land, and we love it as is.

We know that this opinion of ours will rouse a public furore and debate, but we've had enough lately, we felt a psychological need to pour our heart out, and damn the consequences. Thanks for your patience and excuse me.

ENDOWS LABORATORY.-Mrs. Sophie Bolter of Toronto, who recently has endowed a physical chemistry laboratory in the Canada Building of the Technion in Haifa, in memory of her husband, the late Hymie Bolter. Flanking her, from left to right, are: The Hon. Mr. Justice Moshe Landau, chairman of the Technion Board of Governors; Lewis Moses, chartered accountant; Norman Bolter.

D. Lou Harris, national president of the Canadian Technion Society, stated there can be no more noble way for a Jewish family in Canada to associate its name with Israel than by helping young Israelis obtain a higher education in the field of technology.

It's All In The Name

by Ruthie

I never fail to read the Birth column in any newspaper. I get a kick out of seeing the names most of the little mites have to live down for the rest of their lives. What's more, someone will throw an eye on a beautiful name and then it breaks out like a rash. It attracts everyone and, before you know it, the poor name has been done to death.

There was a time, for instance, when Judith was the choice. If there were five children on a block, and each one answered to Judith, you knew exactly how old she was.

Eileen, at one period, was very popular. It appeared as Eileen, Elaine, Aline, Aileen. But, whichever one you called --they all jumped.

Someone I know was expecting a male heir. She toyed with several versions beginning with the letter I. The Hebrew name was Yitzhak; the English simile had to be as close a possible

Irving? No, too ordinary

Ira, No; maybe.

Isaac? Not English enough

Ian? Could be, sounds different

Ivan? That's it!

But the prospective mama didn't anticipate a stumbling block — the papa-to-be

"Ivan! No son of mine will be called Ivan after Ivan the Terrible!"

Well, as the saying goes, "God takes care of everything." The baby was called Sandra

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It's funny to note how people derive names. The Jewish custom is to honor a newly-born baby for a deceased person in the family. I've come across some beauties.

Feivel is Franklin; Heskell is Scott; Yonkel is James; Dovid becomes Donald; Moshe is Melville; Avrum is Archibold; Aryeh is Earl.

You probably know about the mother who called her little Pesach, Pierreponte. One day, while the child was playing ball, she yelled,

"Pierrepontela, Pierrepontela!"

One of the kids shouted, "Hey, stinky, your mother's calling you."

So now maybe James responds to Fatso, Melville to Red; Archibald to Creep. You never know.

* * *

What's wrong with the biblical name, Abraham? It was good enough for Abe Lincoln. Or Sarah? She was one of our matriarchs.

Nine times out of ten, the kids don't like our choice anyway: As they become older, their tastes run towards their idols.

Bernice insists upon Brigitte; Alice wants to be Ava; Clara becomes Charlene; Jack signs Jacques.

Whichever way you look at it—no one's happy.

You can have a ball with surnames. Kaminsky could become Kamen; Moskowitz, Marks; Cohen, Quinn; Rosen, Shoshani (there's an Israeli patriot).

It all depends upon how deeply rooted one's complex is.

For my part, call me anything — so long as I have my health.

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TORONTO WOMEN'S NEWS

DINNER MEET

The Johanna Jabotinsky Chapter, Zionist Revisionist Movement, held its closing dinner meeting recently. It was chaired by Mrs. Anita Greeman, president. On behalf of the Chapter, a bridal gift was presented to Mrs. Errol Abella, daughter-in-law of Mrs. Harry Abella.

Awards were given to: Mesdames Ben Faust, Ralph Fromer, Harry Lerman, Harry Markowitz, Harry Mann, Charles Rockfield, Meyer Silver, Michael Snitman. They were presented by Mrs. Joel Krakauer.

The Rose Bowl, a fund-raising trophy, was presented to Mrs. Nathan Silver by Mrs. Samuel Shainhouse. It will be sent to the museum of the House of Jabotinsky.

New officers are: Mrs. Jan Branitsky, president; Mrs. Harry Abella, vice president; Mrs. Charles Rockfield, secretary; Mrs. Nathan Silver, treasurer; Mrs. Max Milotek, Bond chairman, and Mrs. Harry Mann, cochairman; Mrs. Harry Abella, Sunshine; Mrs. Sam Jackson, public relations; Mrs. Harry Mann, tea convenor; Mrs. Harry Lerman, coconvenor; Mrs. Frank Gordon and Mrs. Ralph Fromer, telephone.

Bon voyage was extended to Mrs. Manny Okrent who will reside in Israel.

LUNCHEON

The closing luncheon of the Women's League of Beth Jacob High School was held recently at the home of Mrs. H. Tenenbaum. Mrs. Hella Nussbaum, president, recapitulated the year's activities. Chaya Schon, teacher, spoke. Susie Werner delivered the financial report. A musical selection was presented by Frances Glucowsky.

The Club of 200 held its draw with eight winners.

Recipe for the week

VEAL OREGANATA

2 lbs. veal cut into thin slices
Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
3 tbs. olive oil
2 cups thinly sliced onions
2 cups thinly sliced mushrooms
1 teaspoon dried oregano
1/2 tsp. chopped fresh basil or 1/2 tsp. dried
1 clove garlic, finely minced
1 tbs. finely chopped parsley
1 cup rich chicken broth
1/2 cup dry white wine
2 cups canned tomatoes

Sprinkle the meat with salt and pepper and brown the pieces, a few at a time, in the oil. Transfer the pieces to a heavy casserole with a tight lid.

Add the onions and mushrooms and cook, stirring, until wilted. Add the vegetables to the meat. Add the remaining ingredients and salt and pepper to taste. Bring to a boil and cover closely. Simmer until the meat is tender, 30 to 40 minutes.

Yield: 4 servings.

WOMAN EDITOR

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - Davar, the Histadrut (Federation of Labor) daily and one of the two largest morning newspapers in Israel, has a woman editor. She is Mrs. Hannah Zemer.

Mrs. Zemer, who has a 10-year-old daughter, Shlomit, was born in Slovakia and went to the Beth Ya'acov girls' school in Bratislava; she was an inmate of a concentration camp in Germany and emigrated to Israel in 1950. She joined the Davar staff in 1951.

She acquired popularity and prestige through a number of television and radio programs.

BIRTH RATE RISES

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - In the past three years the birth rate among Jews in Israel has gone up 9 percent.

In 1967, there were 21.5 births for every 1,000 Jews in Israel; in 1968, 22.8; in 1969, 23.5.

The increase is believed to be due to the ending of the policy of economic slowdown, to increased awareness of Israel's population needs and to the fact that the generation born after the creation of the State has arrived at marriageable age.

There was a similar increase in the mortality rate due to the aging of the population.

HUMAN RELATIONS

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DR. ROSE N. FRANZBLAU

QUESTION: I am in my late 50s, married, no children. Several years ago, I met a divorcee at work.

Our relationship was friendly and casual. Over a period of years, it has grown into one of those once in a lifetime relationships. Everything we share becomes alive and has new meaning in what was otherwise, my placid, contented routine existence.

My problem: She is getting increasingly impatient and irritable with my lack of action in changing our situation, and the difficulties in arrangements that have to be made to allow us to occasionally be together outside of work. My wife doesn't know about her.

While the one thing I want is to be free, I just can't bring myself to abandon my wife. She is a good woman, and hasn't a flaw I could use as an excuse. We lead a very quiet secluded life—of my choosing. I'm terribly afraid I'll lose my love if something doesn't happen soon. I know how unfair it is to the woman I love, and how it is preventing my one chance for the kind of happiness I have always wanted. But I can't bring myself to make the decisive move.

ANSWER: Throughout life, the search for happiness continues. In the first years of marriage, some find their greatest happiness and fulfillment in their sex life, but if their relationship is based mainly on this, it becomes less satisfying as time goes on.

When a couple have no children or no broad mutual interests and activities, and no engaging social life, their marriage may become a boring experience. The wife, having little to occupy her days, may go to work. The couple begin to treat each other like roommates, sharing the same apartment and costs.

At this point, either or both may begin to look around outside for fulfillment.

The real conflict that you now find yourself in is that you don't want to give up either this woman or your wife. Being a husband at home and a lover on the outside does not make you feel that you are leading two lives, but that your life is finally rounded out and complete.

The woman being the aggressor, as in this case, you don't feel so guilty for having become involved with her. After all, she ran after you, and by giving into her, you were only being kind and accepting the compliment. The secluded life you lead, which as you yourself say, is of your own choosing, is really to seclude your wife from meeting others. In this way, you remain the one and only in her life, on whom she must concentrate all her attention and love. But then you can use this self-imposed seclusion as a justification for becoming involved with someone else who can make life altogether different from what you experience at home.

Seeing this woman at work and spending an occasional evening with her may be exactly what makes the relationship so interesting and stimulating.

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Saying that this is your one and only chance for the kind of happiness you have always wanted, really says that you are unwilling to take a chance and give up your wife and your life with her.

What you are probably ready to give up is the secluded life you have led, which has now come to make you feel imprisoned. To free yourself, you must venture forth along with your wife, and find common interests and activities which you can both enjoy. Doing things together, which will bring out the best in both of you, is your chance to achieve happiness that is real, honest and mature.

Wartime heroes of Three Crosses Square

Just 25 years ago, the Second World War came to an end. A little-known but important story to emerge from the war involved the heroic exploits of a group of Jewish children who escaped from the Warsaw Ghetto and managed to survive in the Nazi-occupied section of the city by peddling cigarettes. Joseph Ziemian, a member of the Jewish Underground in Poland, met the children and helped them. He has recorded their story in "The Cigarette Sellers of Three Crosses Square," just published by Vallentine, Mitchell, London. In this extract, he describes how he first encountered the group and how they operated their risky business.

In front of the iron railings at the entrance to the blind, deaf and dumb institute, two cigarette sellers were quarrelling loudly.

The girl, Teresa, wore a torn dress and a dirty sweater. Fair hair fell to her shoulders. There was a big scar on her forehead above one eye.

The boy, Yosek, looked Jewish. Dark eyes and curly hair were dangerously indicative of his origin. His clothes were torn; he looked tired and he limped, which explained his nickname, Hoppy.

These were the founders of the gang, comrades in heart and soul.

"That was my client!" cried Teresa.

"No, he was mine!" maintained Hoppy.

Bull (another member of the gang) separated them with a few quiet words.

"Is she also one of us?" I asked.

"Yes, she is."

"And these two?" I inquired pointing out two boys running across the square with cigarette packets.

"The one without shoes is; his name is Zenek, he is Pawel's brother. The other one is Polish."

I looked, unable to believe my eyes. The fantastic tale told me by Bull and Conky only the day before, about this group of children selling cigarettes at the Three Crosses Square, was only a pale reflection of reality. What I saw surpassed my wildest dreams.

"This is not all, there are others, in other places," added Bull, triumphantly.

When Bull left to attend to his business, I decided to walk across the square once more and have a closer look at these children. In the garden in the middle of the square a few boys were quarrelling furiously. The leader was a boy of about 14 whom I recognised.

It was the same Zenek I had seen before. Zenek had an oval face, dark, penetrating eyes and dark hair falling over his forehead. He was dressed in a filthy colourless shirt, with knee-length trousers, like a grubby urchin. He looked at me sharply when I spoke to him, and three other boys walking near by surrounded me quickly, curious and obviously anxious.

"Have you been working here long?" I asked.

"Look at the time," exclaimed one of the group, pointing to the clock of the institute. "We should be at Saska Kepa!" I realized they were afraid to talk to me.

I left the Three Crosses Square shortly afterwards, profoundly impressed by my discovery. The following day I returned. It was early. There were the same ragged little figures, the same voices, the newspaper boys and cigarette sellers.

Two boys -- Zenek and Toothy -- barred the way of a passer-by.

"Sir, Egyptian cigarettes. How much, how much, sir? These are originals. The lot for only thirty zlotys," Zenek praised his merchandise.

"Too expensive. He sells them for only twenty-five," the client pointed across to Toothy.

"Twenty-five?" Sir, those are 'substitutes,' not worth even twenty.'

I listened to this discussion from the side. The boys bargained and traded with all their might. I crossed over towards the deaf and dumb institute. Teresa stood leaning against the railings while Hoppy hovered near by.

"What have you got?" asked one man. "Home-made, Sea-gulls, Egyptians, all kinds," the girl hurried to reply.

The client examined one of the packets.

"These are substitutes. Have you got any good ones?" he asked in a lowered voice.

"The cheap ones are substitutes. Perhaps this sort?" she suggested.

The client picked up the packet carefully and smelt the cigarettes.

"Hm. You see. These are Government ones, I understand these things." He put them in his pocket and asked the price.

"Thirty."

"Why so expensive?"

"Cheaper, it's impossible. Do you want good merchandise? That's the price."

The client took the money out of his wallet, handed it to Teresa and went away. The girl breathed on it in her palm for luck and put it in her pocket. Hoppy winked at her with satisfaction.

"A fool will believe anything," joked the girl. "He'll pay if he hasn't any sense. Pity I didn't ask thirty-five -- they do!" She pointed in the direction of the Polish boys.

"You'd better watch out," he warned her.

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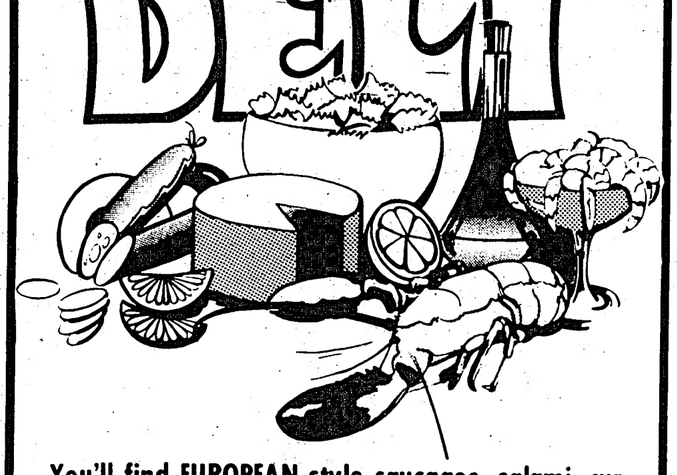

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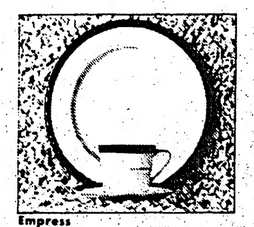

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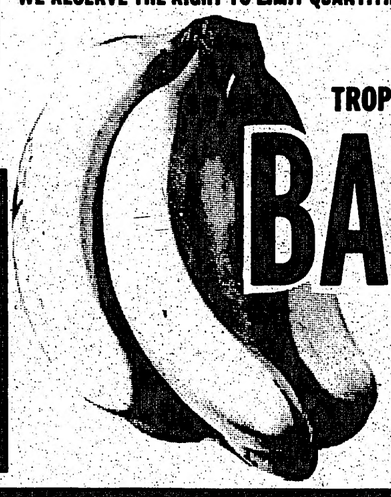

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